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I was going to bring this email to yesterday's meeting and forgot.

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Date: Wed, Mar 22, 2017 at 12:16 PM  
Subject: Westchester Community Park  
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Dear friends,

The Westchester Family YMCA would like to thank our community for everyone's patience while we analyzed all the components of building and operating a community park on the Y property. As you can imagine, there are many considerations that have been vetted by our YMCA Community Park Task Force over the past year.

As you have recently been informed by the Wagner family, the community park in Westchester is being moved from the YMCA location to a nearby church. The YMCA Task Force and Board of Managers spent countless hours on this project and while we are disappointed with the end result, we are excited that the park has found a new home.

The YMCA is committed to providing programs and resources that meet community needs and constantly considers new and innovative ways to do so. While the idea of the community playground initially appeared to be an opportunity to further benefit the community, once we completed our analysis of what it would take to actually construct and maintain the site, we determined that it would be economically challenging, and likely unfeasible for us to complete and/or maintain it on an indefinite basis. As always, we remain open and willing to discuss new or innovative ideas for the benefit of the community that we serve.

We would like to thank Brent & Eli Wagner for their partnering with us since October 2015 and for spearheading the fundraising efforts. Furthermore, we would like to thank everyone who contributed toward this project.

To be good stewards of our donor's intent, we have identified the following options for your consideration:

- a. Transfer the funds to the Holy Nativity Episcopal Church (earmarked the community park)
- b. Return the donation to you

Before any donation is moved we need confirmation from each respective donor.

\*\*\* Would you please reply to this email instructing the YMCA which of the above (2) options you would prefer. \*\*\*

The YMCA remains committed to the Westchester neighborhood and bringing the community together. We encourage you to uphold your donation bringing an additional outdoor play area to our community.

Sincerely,

**John Loussararian**

**Executive Director**

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